Samana

Dominican Republic | Confirm your landing

A PRACTICAL PLAN FOR YOUR DAY ASHORE

1 Two different arrival plans

A Samana town call may use tenders to the waterfront. Port Samana at Arroyo Barril is a separate new terminal planned to open on 24 November 2026, according to the operator's October announcement. This is a plan, subject to change; your itinerary determines the actual port.

2 Town or island time

Santa Barbara de Samana offers waterfront walks, local food and the Whale Museum. Cayo Levantado is reached by boat; public access and included facilities depend on cruise-day arrangements. Confirm your meeting point, landing and return boat before booking independently.

3 Nature excursions

El Limon combines a road transfer with a walking or horseback trail and the visit itself. Allow the full tour duration, rather than counting only driving time. Los Haitises outings may include mangroves, caves and Taino rock art; check the exact route and physical requirements.

4 Whale watching is seasonal

Whale watching is generally a January-to-March activity in Samana Bay. Confirm the current permitted season and use an authorized operator. Sightings are not guaranteed. Sea conditions can affect boats and tenders; carry required documents and follow your ship's return instructions.

BEFORE YOU GO / BEFORE YOU RETURN

Use ship time. Follow your own all-aboard or last-tender deadline and allow a generous buffer for queues, traffic and weather. Confirm hours, tickets, access and transport for your sailing date.

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